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## NEWS REC'D FROM "SUPE" WHITCOMB '20

Now Surgeon-Probationer with  
Royal Navy.

MEMBER OF MED. '20.

Took Part in Surrender of Ger-  
man Fleet off Firth of Forth.

Surgeon-Probationer Harold Whitcomb, Med. '20, was one of the officers of the Royal Navy, privileged to take part in the surrender of the German fleet off the Firth of Forth. Writing to his father, Frank Whitcomb, Smith's Falls, Ont., from H.M. S. Sabrina, he says:

"I have just come in from the great-est 'stunt' the world has ever known, namely:—that of escorting the Ger-man Fleet into British waters. We left this morning at 2 a.m. and sighted the first Hun ships which were the battleships at 9 a.m. Of course, we kept right on our way till we met the destroyers and then we turned around and formed two lines on each side of them. Our big ships were following us and they also turned with the German big ships. At 4 p.m. 74 of the best ships of the second largest navy of the world were safely anchored in the Firth of Forth, with the British Bull Dogs anchored all around them. There must have been consid-erable humiliation for the Huns to be led into a British port, but they have been asking for this for four years and now they probably are satisfied. 'Last week I had the honour of es-corting the German cruiser, 'Konigs-berg' up to the 'Queen Elizabeth.' She was the Hun ship which brought their Admiral over to see Admiral Beatty and receive his orders. There is a rum-our that he said to Beatty 'Aren't these terms a little hard; must we give up our ships without showing what they can do?' Beatty's only reply was 'You had only to come out.' Then the following day we went to meet the French cruiser and three destroy-ers which brought the French Admiral up. Last Saturday I could look out of my cabin and see ships from the four greatest navies in the world, British, German, United States and French.

"We must give the Huns credit for having some fine ships, for their large ships and destroyers which are here are certainly beautiful ships. Of course, the Allies demanded the best of them and 74 of their best will make a big hole in their navy. The sub-marines are arriving at the rate of 20 per day and I believe they have 94 ready to be handed over. 'I have a 'hunch' that they won't keep us very much longer now that the German navy has been surren-dered. I hope it won't be long for I am anxious to get back, but I want to stay and see the last of it. I consid-er myself lucky to be here when the Armistice was signed and especially to-day which will surely be a great day in history. I don't believe Brit-ain would give away her navy with-out putting up some sort of a fight. Do you?"

"We were inspected yesterday by the King and the Prince of Wales. I had to step back to let him pass so I sup-pose that will be as close as I'll ever be to him. They took some 'movies' so you may see 'your sailor son' in the theatre some night. The Prince of Wales is a fine looking chap. 'This is the worst place for fogs at this time of year. Just now we are trying to go up harbour but we just

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'01 GRAD. WEBS.



DR. H. M. LITTLE.

## WELL KNOWN CLUB TO BE REORGANIZED

Students' Orchestra Meeting at  
Hall To-night at 7.30.

The McGill Students' Orchestra is endeavouring to struggle back into ex-istence. The success or failure of this effort will depend largely on the at-tendance at the meeting to be held in Strathcona Hall, at 7.30 p.m. to-day.

Undergraduate activities are an es-sential element in university life; and the student who neglects them and confines his attention solely to the academic curriculum is not making the most of his opportunities.

The undergraduate life of a univer-sity is incomplete without an orchestra. It is up to every McGill student who can play an orchestral instrument, and who cares at all for good music, to give this movement his whole-hearted support. We had a good orchestra once. We can have a better one now if our musicians will only respond to this appeal in the right spirit.

Come to the meeting to-night. If you are unable to stay, just drop in for long enough to write your name on a sheet of paper. If you can't do even that, leave a note at the Hall, ad-dressed to A. P. Grigg, Law '21, stat-ing your name, faculty and year, what instrument you play, your ad-dress and telephone number.

As to-night's meeting is of a purely business character it will not be nec-essary to bring your instrument.

## MR. WERNER DEAD.

(Special to McGill Daily.)

News has just been received of the death of Mr. S. W. Werner, director of the Department of Metallurgy, on Saturday evening, of influenza, at Providence, R.I. Mr. Werner had re-ceived a year's leave of absence from McGill to superintend the operation of a metallurgy process invented by him-self and Prof. Burr. He leaves a wife and one child.

## CANADIAN DOUGLAS FIR.

The war and the period following the war demand that all of Canada's natural resources be developed in the very best manner possible. It is also imperative that both Canadians and the outside world be made aware of the high qualities of those re-sources. This was the view of the Department of the Interior in estab-lishing the Forest Products Labora-tories of Canada in 1913. The inves-tigations of the laboratories have al-ready proved that Canadians were im-porting timber from other countries when they had a superior timber at home. After making a general study of structural timbers, which study (embodied in Forestry Branch Bulle-tin 59) showed that in Douglas fir Canada had one of the best structural timbers in the world, the laboratories

## RETURNED '22 MEDS. WERE ENTERTAINED

Smoker Was Given in Union  
Saturday Night.

WHOLE CLASS PRESENT.

Function Showed Fine Feeling  
Existing Between Members  
of Class.

On Saturday evening the returned men of the class of Medicine '22 were entertained at a smoker in the Union, by their classmates. At 8.30 prac-tically the whole class had gathered in the lounging room, chatting and be-coming better acquainted amidst ris-ing fumes from many pipes, when Vice-President Fitzgerald called for attention. He then asked that every-body should join in "Hail Alma Ma-ter," which was followed by the McGill yell.

The Chairman in a few chosen words welcomed the returned men, making reference to the sacri-fices which they have so willingly made. In conclusion, he called upon the President, Lieut. Griffith, M.M., to say a few words on behalf of the returned men. Griffith spoke first on the experiences of some of the men of the class overseas; mentioning some of the trying circumstances which they had passed through. He especially tried to show why it is that there is that special bond of fellow-ship between those boys who have seen it through together. He then gave some of his own experiences with the Royal Navy, telling many stirring incidents which he had wit-nessed while on board a British de-stroyer.

The next speaker was J. Copeland, last year's president, who urged the men to cast aside any feeling of abso-lute which might tend to cause a breach between the old men of the class and the returned members. He concluded by asking the old members to do all in their power to help along their overseas members who in the majority of cases had, due to their long stay at the front, lost to a cer-tain degree their ability to concentrate on their studies.

Bussiere and McLean then made few impromptu remarks, which were mostly of a jocular nature.

Then followed another returned man, Miller, of the 13th Battalion, Can. Highlanders. He made reference to the glorious deeds which that reg-iment had done, adding that they had never lost a trench during their whole career. He spoke of Fred Fisher, of the 13th, who was the first V.C. of the Canadian Corps. The speaker concluded by relating a few anecdotes to illustrate the cheerfulness with which the Imperial troops overcame almost impossible tasks.

There was plenty of good coffee and cake, and the men showed that their studies had not seriously affected their appetites. When the eats were finish-ed the men lit up once more pipes, cigarettes or cigars, each one to his own fancy, while yarns were spun by the yard.

The evening was brought to an end by singing the National Anthem and a hearty McGill yell.

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AEROPLANE SPRUCE IN  
BRITISH COLUMBIA  
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## Y. M. C. A. Canvassers! Rally Will Be Held at Hall To-Night

The Y.M.C.A. financial campaign will be held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week. A rally of the Faculty captains, their class captains and the canvassers will take place in the Strathcona Hall this evening. Supper will be served at 6.00 p.m., sharp.

The following men are the Faculty captains:

|           |                   |
|-----------|-------------------|
| Arts      | N. E. Peterson.   |
| Science   | Ross Laing        |
| Law       | R. P. Grigg       |
| Medicine  | R. R. Fitzgerald. |
| Dentistry | "Art" Walsh.      |



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## THE GYMNASIUM CLASSES.

The gymnasium classes will open on Tuesday afternoon of this week from 5.15 to 6.00 o'clock. The classes will be optional for all McGill Students, and it is hoped that many will avail themselves of this opportunity to develop the body into a harmonious whole under the perfect control of the will. It is not the aim of these classes to produce great bulk of muscle, but to cause that already present to respond readily to volition and also to assist a Student in maintaining good physical condition, thereby safeguarding him from ill-health resulting from physical inactivity and free dietetic habits. The old saying "a man plays because he's young" may be very suitably reversed to "a man is young because he plays." That is the psychological part. Here is the physical: The old saying "a man must earn his bread by the sweat of his brow" suggests the modern idea,—"He must earn his health by the sweat of his body." You exercise and thus drive out the impurities of the blood through the pores of the skin in the form of sweat. At the same time, you limber up. Your unused muscles come into play. You find that you have machinery that you have never availed of. Exercise makes your heart beat strong and pushes your blood through the vascular system at a good clip. You get forced draft through your nose and breathe deep. Your lungs expand, take in more oxygen and force it and other food materials into the blood which makes it rich and red. That's the way the McGill gym. classes put ginger into you, make you know you're all alive, not half dead. To the Student who, in his Freshman year especially, finds not time to care for his physical needs I would suggest that an improvement in the physical end is sure to react on the mental. Too many Students through lack of exercise find themselves going up to their finals in the Spring, in a condition of neurasthenia. A McGill gym. suit can be secured at any sporting goods store. Secure this to-day and by presenting your McGill grounds ticket at the Central Y.M.C.A. on Drummond Street, all arrangements can be made to start in with the opening class to-morrow at 5.15.

## BROTHERS MCGILL MEN WIN DECORATIONS WITHIN MONTH—MANY FORMER STUDENTS GIVEN MILITARY HONOURS FOR THEIR SERVICES.

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night of November 10, the day previous to the signing of the armistice. Capt. Gaffney was thus the first armed British soldier to enter Mons since the days of the historic 1914 retreat.

Major Herbert Molson, M.C., '24, has been re-elected a director of the Windsor Hotel Co., Montreal.

### On the Murman Coast.

Major Walter C. Hyde, D.S.O., Arch. '15, who is in command of a detachment of Canadian Artillery in the Murman Coast region of Russia, has written as follows to his mother:

"It is hard to tell whether this will ever reach you, as postal arrangements were among the last things to be provided in this type of warfare, and I do not think much has yet been done in this regard. However, I have a chance to send this to the base by aeroplane to-morrow, and will hope for the best.

"We have been continually on the move since I wrote you last from the base, and the brigade is split up for the present, even my battery being divided. I am attached to one force, with most of my battery under me, while Mowat has the rest with

another force.

"This type of war is totally different from that in France, more like South Africa, I should imagine. We came miles up a big river on a barge, then disembarked and commandeered little Shetland pony-like animals from the peasants with which to haul our guns. The work of accustoming these horses to our harness and to working in teams was most amusing, but the adaptability of Canadians was never made more evident than it has been since my bunch of sports landed here. They jolly the natives until the latter will do anything for them. They laugh at any difficulty or obstacle, and in no time overcome it. I heard one of them say at the end of a twelve mile march through mud and forest, that he 'wouldn't have missed the trip for a million dollars.'

"We bivouacked in the wood just off the road at the end of our first day's march. It was very cold, and the ground damp, but we had axes, and optimism with us, and in no time every man had a comfortable lean-to or tepee, such as we used to make at Temagami, and the fires having been lit we soon had a good supper, the gramophone going and everyone content. Up again at dawn the next day, and another twelve miles to hike to our area of operations.

Frightened Bolsheviks.

"Our first 'battle' occurred the next

day, and we captured a town. I think the noise of our guns did more than actual casualties in chasing the Bolsheviks away. Our side suffered no casualties. That was a week ago, and since then we have captured two more towns with little or no trouble.

"As a matter of fact I do not think the 'towns' are worth any trouble, for of all the forlorn, dejected, ramshackle, filthy, dirty abodes of human beings I have ever seen, these peasant hamlets of this part of Russia take the cake. The one we are in at present consists of a dozen houses surrounded by mud, manure and filth. The houses are all log structures with huge brick and clay oven arrangements in them for stoves. They heat the houses very effectively, but the heat is so dry as to be almost unbearable, and there is no means of ventilation. All windows are nailed up.

"The country is covered with pine, spruce, cedar and fir as far as one can see, and the ground is swampy. All our transport work is done by the peasants, who attach themselves to us with their horses and droskis, or carts. I have about thirty of these miserable specimens of humanity attached to me. They hang around in bunches ready to pounce upon a cigarette butt which anyone may throw away. They range in age from six to sixty of both sexes, and are all unspeakably dirty, the women fat and

## CORRESPONDENCE

The Daily is not responsible for the sentiments of letters published in the correspondence column. Signed communications from graduates, undergraduates and members of the faculties will be placed in print if they are not of too great length.

Correspondents are requested to observe the unwritten law of the newspaper office—that they write upon ONE side of the paper ONLY.

No communications will be admitted in this column without the name of the writer being attached, not necessarily for PUBLICATION.

The Editor, McGill Daily:

Dear Sir,—I first wish to point out that this letter is not written in the spirit of destructive criticism, but rather with the aim of clearing certain points brought up in an editorial published in the "McGill Daily," on December 5, under the promising title of "Worry." This article has more or less defeated its own purpose, in that, although it condemned very thoroughly every form of that particular state of mind, it has caused a considerable amount of worry as to its truth in the minds of certain in the student body. Naturally, like many good things, worry in excess is probably a detriment to the proper functioning of the mind, and it will be my point to show that if used in moderation it is a highly efficient stimulus to mental activity.

Now let us consider worry, as it is rather uniquely classified in the editorial. In the first class was mentioned worry over the past, and this was shown in rather confusing terms to be absolutely useless; yet, if we think about it a little while, we clearly see that most of our mistakes in the past are not irreparable, and evidently a moderate amount of worry over past errors will stimulate our minds to find a way of modifying their results or even entirely nullifying the error itself. In this connection we must consider the close connection of worry over past mistakes and conscience. Few people without any conscience are, particularly popular in our modern society.

As regards worry over the future, there can be no doubt that if it is in moderation, it will then stimulate our mind to forethought, which, I think, is unquestionably of some advantage. If we imagine every possible obstacle which may confront us, in good time, our brain is then able to think out methods of overcoming them in case we actually meet them in the course of events which follow.

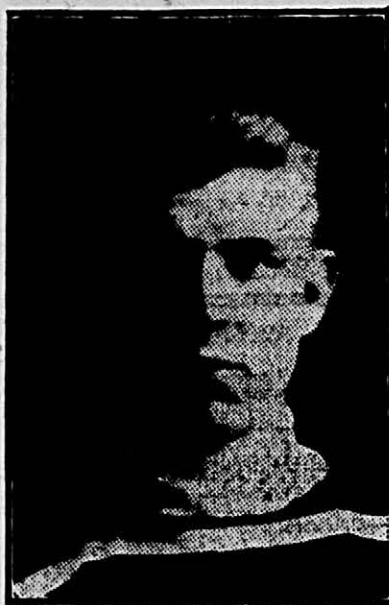
Of course, if we all possessed a perfect mentality, running in a normal course of thought, we would need no stimulus of any kind, but unfortunately this is not the case. Personally, I have found that a moderate amount of worry has often times assisted in stimulating the mental activity necessary to pass those abnormal proceedings at the end of the year known as examinations. The little extract of verse at the conclusion of the article was certainly characteristic of the editorial itself and could well be applied either to a very successful poet or else those gentlemen of the road, popularly called tramps, but it seems hardly applicable to a student of to-day. So let us hope that some of us will not take the editorial of last Thursday too seriously and throw worry in the discard but still avail ourselves of its stimulating effect to further effort.

There are several points in the article which I have probably omitted, and it is hoped that further discussion will not be lacking.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for this valuable space, I am,

H. MOUQUIN.

## RETURNS TO MCGILL.



EARLE ANDERSON,  
Who Went Overseas with 2nd Tank  
Battalion.

## NOTICES

### Arts '20 Meeting.

There will be a meeting of Arts '20 to-morrow afternoon, at 5.15 o'clock, in the Smoking Room of the Arts Building. All the class members are asked to be present, as important business will be discussed.

### Arts Dinner.

In view of the considerable misunderstanding which seems to prevail with regard to the Arts Sophomore-Freshman dinner, the dinner committee of Arts '22 wishes to announce that informal dress is to be worn.

### Correction.

In What's On. The Arts Undergrad. Smoker is to be held on Thursday, December 12th, and not on the 11th, as announced in the last two issues of the Daily.

### THEO. BULLOCK,

Sec. Arts Undergrad.

### Dinner Committee.

The Dinner and Entertainment Committee of the Arts Undergraduate Society will meet to-day, at 1 p.m., in the Reading Room.

### Science '20 Meeting.

There will be a meeting of the Science Juniors, to-morrow afternoon, at five o'clock, in the Engineering Building. The Annual Board representatives have some important announcements to make to the class regarding the photographs for the 1920 Annual. It is important that every member of the class who is affected be present.

A hockey manager will also be elected at this meeting.

### McGill Athletic Association.

A meeting is called of the above executive for 7 o'clock, at the Union, this evening. It is important that the following be present:

V. Heney—Hockey.  
D. Rose—Football.  
Capt. Greene—Track.  
L. Montgomery—Basketball.  
H. Moquin—Wrestling, Boxing and Fencing.  
L. Wiggs—Swimming.  
M. Young—Tennis.

The meeting will commence at 7 o'clock sharp.

### Physical Exams.

The last period for examination will be open to-day from 5 to 6.30 p.m., at the Joseph House, on Sherbrooke St. West. Any who have not already come up for examination will be expected to present themselves this afternoon. Over 500 have already been examined this term, and it is

## NEWS RECEIVED FROM "SUPE" WHITCOMB '20.

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so a mile or so when it gets thick and we have to drop the 'hook' and stay at anchor till the fog clears again.

"One night last week I was on board one of our latest battleships at a concert given by the ship's company and I have seen many on the stage which weren't half so good. I had a good look around the ship and it is wonderful. Some one had written on a 15-inch gun 'Not to be carried away in your vest pocket.' On another was written, 'Shoulder Arms.'

ugly, and the men—replicas of the pictures one has seen of Rasputin. One cigarette will hire anyone of them to keep your fire burning all night, and one can almost buy all they own with a tin of bully beef or a package of cigarettes.

"One of the youngsters engaged as a driver, about eight years old, came in crying to-day to my interpreter. His horse was sick and he thought it was going to die. I went to see the horse and found it in perfect health but so weak from lack of nourishment that it had simply dropped in its tracks. He had not watered it for days, and had fed it only straw in spite of the fact that hay and oats had been given him. They are all unspeakably ignorant."

## WHAT'S ON

### To-day.

7.30 p.m.—Mandolin Club Meet in Peate's Studio.  
7.30 p.m.—McGill Students' Orchestra at Strathcona Hall.

### Coming.

Dec. 10, 5.15 p.m.—Meeting of Arts '20.  
Dec. 10, 5.00 p.m.—Meeting of Science Seniors.  
Dec. 10, 5.00-6.30 p.m.—Last Period for Physical Examination.  
Dec. 10, 7.00 p.m.—Athletic Association Meeting in Union.  
Dec. 10, 7.00 p.m.—Basketball Practice.  
Dec. 10—McGill vs. M.A.A.A.—Water Polo.  
Dec. 10—Arts Sophomore - Freshman Dinner at Ritz.  
Dec. 12—Arts Undergrad Smoker.  
Dec. 12—Science Sophomore-Freshman Banquet at Windsor Hotel.  
Dec. 17—Med. Sophomore - Freshman Banquet at Freeman's.  
Dec. 19—Orchestra Assembly, R.V.C.

hoped that to-day will complete the list. Any senior students who are contemplating joining any of the athletic clubs are reminded that a physical examination by the McGill Medical Director, Dr. F. W. Harvey, is necessary before taking part, and there is no fee attached to such an examination to-day.

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### DOUBLE BILL

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In

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WEDNESDAY TO SATURDAY

Mary Pickford

In

Johanna Enlists

ALL THIS WEEK

Enzo Bozzano

Bass

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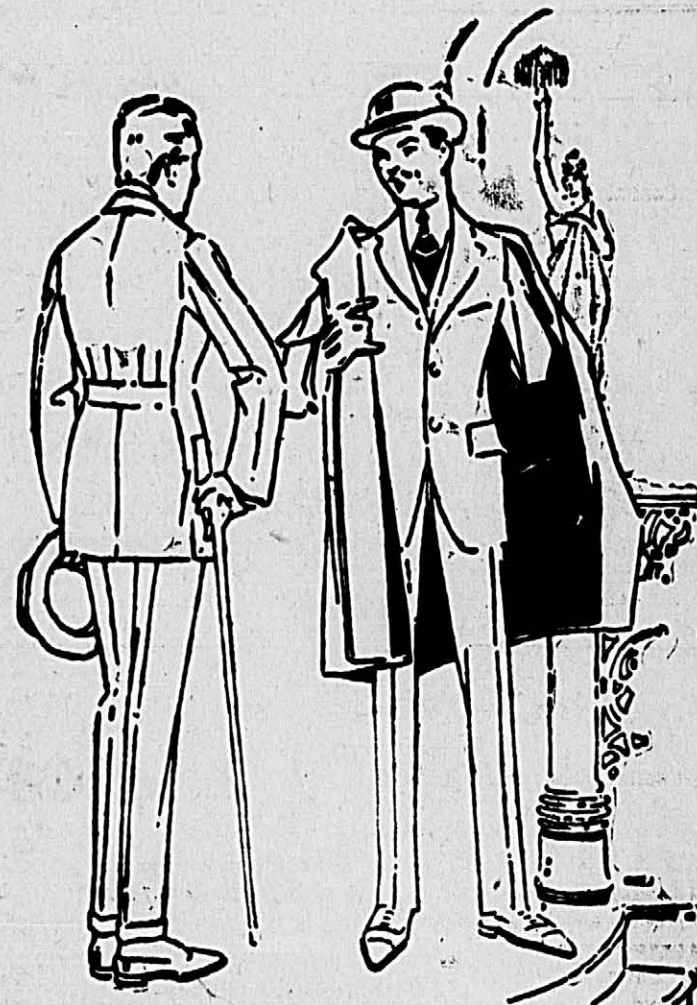
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## Brothers, McGill Men Win Decorations Within Month; Many Former Students Given Military Honors For Their Services

Major Frederick Clarke, Lieuts. W. W. Beveridge, E. D. Hyndman, W. D. Staveley, E. P. Wilson, S. H. Wilson Awarded Military Cross and Major D. W. McKechnie, the Distinguished Service Order—How Capt. W. M. Calder Received Fatal Injuries—Capt. "Art" Graffey, '14, the First British Officer in Mons—Major W. C. Hyde, '15, on the Murman Coast with Battery of Canadian Artillery.

Two Military Crosses in one month is the record of the family of F. J. Wilson, 173 Cooper Street, Ottawa, and both of the recipients—Lieut. Selwyn H. Wilson, Sci. '19, and Lieut. Eldon P. Wilson, Sci. '17,—are McGill men. Mr. Wilson has just had word from Lt. Selwyn Wilson, of the honour conferred upon him and on October 19, Lieut. Eldon Wilson wrote in the same vein.

Lieut. Selwyn Wilson wrote on German paper with German ink, captured in a dugout. On return from his first leave in a year, he was showered with congratulations by his comrades. "What for?" he asked, and they told him that he had won the M.C. He went overseas in June, 1916, qualified as both a runner officer and as a signaller and finally went to France with an artillery unit.

Lieut. Eldon ("Pit") Wilson is with the Canadian Engineers and is now with the Canadians advancing to the Rhine.

Both are former pupils of the Ottawa Collegiate Institute.

Another Science undergraduate recently decorated is Capt. H. Allen Wilson, Sci. '18, of the Royal Air Force, who receives the Air Force Cross. Capt. Wilson is a son of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Wilson, 617 Belmont Avenue, Westmount, and joined the Royal Naval Air Service as a flight sub-lieutenant in October, 1915. He trained at Utica, N.Y., and St. Augustine, Fla., and went overseas in May, 1916.

Announcement is made that the Military Cross has been awarded Lieut. W. W. Beveridge, Arts '15, Med. '19, a well-known undergraduate, who enlisted as private in No. 3 Can. General Hospital and later took out a commission in the infantry. He has been attached to the 87th Canadian Grenadier Guards in France for upwards of a year. Lieut. Beveridge played English rugby at McGill and occupied the sporting editor's desk on McGill Daily before enlistment. He hails from Vancouver.

Another undergraduate to whom the Military Cross has been granted is Lieut. E. D. Hyndman, Sci. '17, who is with a battery of Canadian Artillery. He comes from Sherbrooke and was wounded not long ago.

Major Frederick Clarke, Med. '08, also awarded the Military Cross, was practising in Calgary before enlistment in the C.A.M.C.

## Lieut. Staveley Decorated.

Official information has been received from London that Lieut. W. D. Staveley, Sci. '11, formerly of the Canadian Engineers, but who for the past two years has been serving with the Royal Engineers, was awarded the Military Cross by British Headquarters in France on October 11 last for conspicuous gallantry in action on the 28th of September last.

When alone, Lieut. Staveley made a daylight reconnaissance of "No Man's Land" up to the Hun outposts for the purpose of locating and recording the position of shell holes and other obstacles to the advance of the tanks that were to assist in an impending drive. Then, together with his company, the 62nd, they worked for four nights under persistent gas attacks and machine-gun and shell fire building roads and bridging the gaps so effectively that the tanks were able to lead the way for the big infantry attack that immediately followed the completion of this work, and set one part of the Boche line moving homeward.

Lieut. Staveley has since been twice recommended by his superior officers for good work done at two "other shows" during the British advances earlier in the summer.

On October 6th he was officially reported as being admitted to the Second Base Hospital, France, seriously ill, but has since been removed to a convalescent hospital in England, where he is recovering.

Major D. W. McKechnie, D.S.O.

The Distinguished Service Order has been awarded Major David William McKechnie, Med. '03, of the Canadian Army Medical Corps for gallantry under enemy fire in attending the wounded. Major McKechnie practised in Montreal before going overseas early in the war, and was demonstrator in clinical medicine in the Faculty of Medicine.

The bar to the Distinguished Service Order has been awarded Brigadier-General George Eric McCuaig, Sci. '06, for leading his battalion three miles through heavy mist to final objective, personally leading and directing the assault and making large captures.

The citation of the D.S.O. to Lt.-Col. the Rev. Canon F. G. Scott, past student, states that he attended the

wounded under heavy fire and by his cool and confident manner was a source of encouragement to his men when they were suffering heavy casualties.

From private information received by relatives, it appears that Capt. W. M. Calder, Arts '18, reported accidentally killed on November 1, lost his life while riding a motor-cycle which collided with a motor truck at La Joux in the Jura Mountains. He was attached to a detachment of the Canadian Forestry Corps as quartermaster and investigation showed that Capt. Calder's death was purely accidental. He was buried with Military honours on November 4 in the cemetery at Champagnole.

The marriage was solemnized in New York City on December 2 of Dr. Herbert M. Little, Med. '01, and Mary L. Campbell, eldest daughter of the late J. Lorne Campbell, of Toronto. Rev. Canon Silver officiated.

Lt.-Col. A. C. Rankin, Med. '04, is now officer commanding the Canadian Convalescent Hospital at Matlock Bath. Major W. J. McAllister, M.C., Med. '10, is on his staff.

The death occurred at San Antonio, Texas, on October 25, of Alfred McLean Hamilton, Sci. '05, at the age of 39. He was formerly superintendent of the smelter of the American Smelters and Securities Co., at Asarco, Durango, Mexico. Mr. Hamilton's mother, Mrs. Robert Hamilton, resides in Westmount.

Captain L. C. Reid, Med. '16, is now attached to No. 3 Canadian General Hospital (McGill) at Boulogne, in which institution he served earlier in the war as a private.

## Col. Birkett Goes Overseas.

Colonel H. S. Birkett, C.B., Med. '86, has been recalled to England to take up duties at Canadian Medical headquarters in London. Colonel Birkett organized and took overseas No. 3 Canadian General Hospital (McGill).

The marriage of Lt.-Col. J. S. Jenkins, D.S.O., Med. '12, and Miss Louise Macleod Mitchell, of Pittsburg, Pa., took place at St. James Church Spanish Place, London, on October 30.

Commander J. K. L. Ross, Sci. '07, has reconsidered his resignation from the Canadian Pensions Board and it is understood will remain with that body.

Word received by Stephen B. Huston, Registrar of Probates, St. John, N.B., is to the effect that his son, Bdr. Howard B. Huston, Arts '20, of No. 10 Canadian Siege Battery (McGill), has been withdrawn from the line to qualify for a commission.

Lieut.-Colonel Ibbotson Leonard, D.S.O., Sci. '05, of the Canadian Corps Cavalry, has returned to Canada.

"Canadian Wonder Tales," recently published by Capt. Cyrus Macmillan, Arts '02, is being favourably received by English reviewers.

Captain Harcourt B. Church, Med. '17, is now stationed at St. John's, Que.

Prof. J. C. Bracq, Arts '81, now of the staff of Vassar College, recently addressed the Montreal Reform Club. Personal messages from Capt. A. Ross Alguire, Med. '05, who was reported seriously ill overseas, indicate that he is improving rapidly.

Capt. G. G. Phillips, Med. '17, has been transferred from France to Seaford, England, where he is now attached to the R.A.M.C.

Allan G. Lochhead, Arts '11, who has been interned in Germany since the outbreak of war has now arrived in England.

## Dr. John MacKay Dead.

Dr. John MacKay, ex-M.P.P., Med. '69, passed away at St. Catharines, Ont., on November 31, at the age of 77. He had been ill for about six months. Dr. MacKay was born near Finch, Ont., and after being graduated at McGill took a course at Edinburgh. A Liberal in politics, he was returned to the Ontario Legislature for North Victoria riding in 1890 and 1894. On other occasions he was defeated.

Major E. R. Pease, D.S.O., Sci. '09, and Capt. E. L. Rainboth, M.C., Sci. '17, are patients at the Perkins Bull Hospital, London.

The marriage of Miss Gladys A. Rutherford, of Hemmingford, Que., to Capt. Willis A. Hurton, Med. '13, of the C.A.M.C., recently returned from the front, took place in Hemmingford on December 6.

Laurence A. Darey, past student, a well-known railway construction engineer, died in Sherbrooke, Que., a few days ago. He was the second son of the late Prof. P. J. Darey, Law '68, and his early railroad experiences were in Georgia, Chile, Panama and in the Western States. Later he served on the Canadian Northern, G.T.P., and National Transcontinental construction.

Capt. Oliver R. Mabey, Med. '06, was recently taken on the strength of the C.A.M.C.

Miss Kathleen McCloskey, Arts '17, has gone to St. Petersburg, Fla., for winter.

Mrs. W. J. Campbell, Ottawa, announces the engagement of her daughter, Lillian May, Arts '12, to John Johnson O'Neill, Sci. '09, of Port Colborne, Ont. The marriage will take place on December 9.

It was a detachment of "D" Company, 42nd Royal Highlanders of Canada, under command of Captain W. Arthur Graffey, Sci. '14, that first entered the city of Mons late on the

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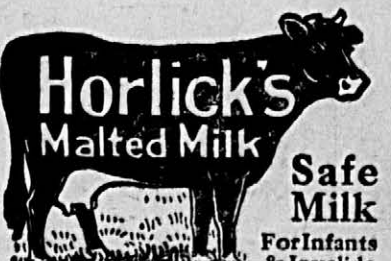
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After being in France for only ten days, Lieut. Kimball Fletcher Keeping, Sci. 14, of the Prince Edward Island Battery, Canadian Artillery, was mortally wounded while his position was under bombardment. He died at a casualty clearing station on September 5, 1917. Born at Murray Harbour, P.E.I., on August 30, 1886, Lieut. Keeping was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Keeping. He attended Prince of Wales College, Charlottetown, and in 1914 was graduated from the Faculty of Applied Science at McGill. While at the University he held a position of exceptional prominence among his fellow-students, being well known by reason of his occupancy of the presidency of the Science Undergraduates Society. When war was declared he was in the employ of the Dominion Government as a land surveyor. In December, 1915, he took the lieutenant's siege artillery course at Halifax, and qualified with the high average of 97 per cent. He created such a favourable impression that he was retained as an instructor at the school, a post he held until the spring of 1916, when his services were secured for the McGill Siege Battery, raised by Major W. D. Tait. After arrival in England, he was appointed instructor of officers at the Siege Artillery Headquarters, Stowlingtoft, and later was attached to an Imperial battery. In August, 1917, Lieut. Keeping was given the option of joining the Prince Edward Island battery or another Canadian battery at the front. He immediately selected his home battery, and arrived in France on August 24. The manner of his death is described as follows by a gunner of his command:

"On September 3rd, our Right Half company was in action when the enemy proceeded to bombard the position. It soon became necessary to seek shelter. Lieuts. T. D. Farquhar and K. F. Keeping, B. S. M. H. Lea and Gr. Ewart Keeping were the last to leave the place when a shell landed and exploded a few yards in front of them.

"Lieut. Keeping was wounded in four places, but did not appear to suffer much, and retained consciousness. His companions, with whom he talked cheerfully, making light of his wounds, administered first aid, and subsequently carried him to the field dressing station, when it was learned that his wounds were so serious that his immediate transfer to the casualty clearing station was imperative. He was given the very best care and attention. In fact, Capt. Drummond, an eminent London surgeon, and the nursing sisters, did all in their power for him. But from the first the surgeon entertained little hope for his recovery, and his death did not, therefore, come as a surprise to us.

"On the afternoon of the 5th inst. he underwent a very serious operation, which was entirely successful. The skilled surgeon was highly pleased and became more hopeful, but another operation was necessary the next morning. Fifteen minutes before he was taken to the operating room he talked rationally with his brother, Ewart, who, thanks to the thoughtfulness of Capt. Ring and Lt. Farquhar, was permitted to remain at the hospital from the night he was wounded. "With a smile on his face he entered the operating room. A few minutes later he became very weak and was immediately removed to a tent in the cool air, where, with his brother at his bedside, he responded to the summons of the Great Commander at 11.30 a.m.

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**GR. HAMILTON MET DEATH AT ROMBIES**

Member of Arts '20 Was Serving With the 9th Battery, C.F.A.

The following letter has been received by Mrs. Janet A. Hamilton, 287 Mountain Street, from Major Cook, telling her of the manner in which her son William met his death while serving overseas with the C.F.A. It will be remembered that a notice of Gunner Hamilton's death appeared in one of our former issues. Hamilton was a member of Arts '20. In the spring of 1917 he enlisted with the McGill Siege Battery, being recruited by Sir Stophord Brunton. He was later transferred to the 9th Battery C.F.A., with which unit he met his death. Gunner Hamilton was killed just one day previous to the signing of the armistice.

Major Cook writes as follows:—"I am most unhappy at having to write you about the death of your son in action while he was serving with me.

"About 4 p.m., on the 6th inst., in the village of Valenciennes, he, with Signaller McCannel, of Victoria, B.C., were mending a telephone line, when a shell burst beside them, killing them both instantly. They were buried today with full military honours in the British Cemetery at Valenciennes, their bodies being conveyed on gun carriages and a full parade of officers and men accompanying them. Captain Thompson, our chaplain, read the burial service.

"Nothing I can say can relieve your sorrow. I feel his death very personal, as very few of my men have ever associated so closely with me. For three months, through all our heavy fighting, he was always with me as my assistant, and I had a special liking for his character, manly, gallant and faithful as he ever was. It is our pride only in having been comrades, with such gallant souls, that helps one to think only of the heroic sacrifice that has brought us victory.

"My officers join me in expressing to you our most sincere condolence.

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Every man, woman and child in Canada should invest in War-Savings Stamps all the money that he or she can save by STRICT ECONOMY.

With W.-S.-S. you can "build a bond" at your own convenience, taking advantage of the unexcelled security and the high interest. You are not tied down to making payments at stated times, though it is desirable to purchase as regularly and as often as you can.

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By placing your W.-S.-S. on the Certificate provided, and registering same, you are protected against loss by fire, theft or other cause. Your registered Certificate is of no value to anyone but yourself.

As an aid to the purchase of W.-S.-S., you can buy THRIFT Stamps of the value of 25 cents, 16 of which may be exchanged for one W.-S.-S.

W.-S.-S. are on sale at Money-Order Post Offices, Banks, and other places displaying the W.-S.-S. sign shown at the top of this announcement.

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